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CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

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MISHA ROHATGI MOHTA

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TO:

THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA AND HIS COMPANION JUDGES OF THE HON'BLE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THE PETITIONER ABOVENAMED

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:

1. This Petition, seeking Special Leave to Appeal under Article 136 of the Constitution of India, is filed against the impugned final judgment and order dated 24.07.2023 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature of Bombay at Goa in PIL Writ Petition No. 15 of 2022. The contents of the same may kindly be read as part and parcel for the present application and have not been repeated herein for the sake of brevity.

2. The Applicants are filing the present Application seeking permission to place on record certain addition documents which have an important bearing on the present case.

3. The Applicants by way of the present Application are seeking to place on record Additional Documents namely:

   a) True Copy of the Relevant pages of the report 'Status of Tigers Copredators & Prey in India, 2014' is annexed hereto and marked as **ANNEXURE P-21 [Page No. 5-7].**

4. The aforesaid documents are essential and necessary for the complete adjudication of the present proceedings.

5. That the present Application is bonafide and in the interest or justice.

PRAYER

It is therefore most respectfully prayed that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to:

a. Take on record the Additional Documents marked as ANNEXURE P-21 in the present Application; and

b. Pass such other and further orders as this Court deems fit and proper in the present circumstances of the Petition.

FILED BY

MISHA ROHATGI MOHTA
ADVOCATE FOR THE PETITIONERS

DRAWN ON:07.09.2023
FILED ON:20.09.2023
PLACE: NEW DELHI

NOTARY
SAYED ABBAS
ADVOCATE & NOTARY
TISWADI TALUKA
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AFFIDAVIT

I, Shri Umakant, IFS, S/o Late (Dr.) P. Prasad 'Anuj' aged about 58 years, presently working as the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Goa, do hereby solemnly affirm and state as follows:

1. That I am Petitioner No. 3 on behalf of all Petitioners in the above-mentioned matter and as such I am fully conversant with the facts and circumstances of this case and am competent to swear this affidavit.

2. That the contents of the accompanying application have been read over and explained to me in vernacular language and I say that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

3. That I further state that the Annexures to the application are true and correct copies of their respective originals.

DEPONENT

Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests &
Chief Wildlife Warden,
Panaji Goa

VERIFICATION:

I, the above-named deponent do hereby verify that the declaration made in the above mentioned affidavit is true to my knowledge. No part of it is false and nothing material has been concealed there from.

Verified at PANAJI on this 07-th day of September, 2023.

CHIEF WILDLIFE WARDEN
GOVERNMENT OF GOA

DEPONENT
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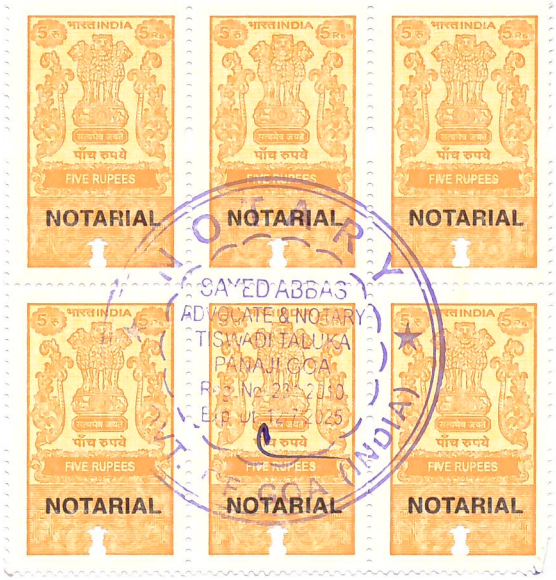
Chief Wildlife Warden,
Panaji - Goa



SOLEMNLY AFFIRMED AND VERIFIED
BEFORE ME BY Shri Umalsani. IFS,
WHO IS IDENTIFIED BEFORE ME BY from his
ID Card. WHOM I KNOWN
SR. NO: 5494/2023
DATED: 07/09/2023

SAYED ABBAS
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ANNEXURE P-21

STATUS OF TIGERS
COPREDATORS & PREY
IN INDIA, 2014

Cotigao-Mhadei Forest Complex of Goa

K. Ullas Karanth, N. Samba Kumar, Ravishankar Parameshwaran, Arjun Srivathsa, Sushma Sharma.
Wildlife Conservation Society – India and Centre for Wildlife Studies

The Cotigao-Mhadei forest complexof Goa comprises of five protected areas, namely,Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary (208 km²), BhagwanMahavir Wildlife Sanctuary (133 km²), BhagwanMahavir National Park (107 km²), Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary (211 km²) and Cotigao Wildlife Sanctuary (86 km²) along the Western Ghats ridge. They cover an area of about 750 km², forming a contiguous belt of forest, connecting the forests of Karnataka and Maharashtra. Cotigao-Mhadei forest complex is situated at 74º 55'E and 15º 42' N. The region along the Vagheri hills in north Goa is The Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary. Elevations among the hills of the Sanctuary range from 200–560 m. The Mhadei River, known downstream as the Mandovi River originates in Karnataka, passes through the Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary and meets the Arabian Sea at Panaji in Goa. To the south of Mhadei is the BhagwanMahavir Wildlife Sanctuary and BhagwanMahavir National Park. A National Highway divides it into two parts and a railway line passes through the area. The Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary lies between the BhagwanMahavir National Park on the north and the Cotigao Wildlife Sanctuary to its south.This region typically contains evergreen, semi-evergreen and moist deciduous forest types. The evergreen forests are mainly seen at higher altitudes and along the river banks.

Sampling Details

Camera trap field surveys were carried out in Goa from 7th May 2013 to 11th June 2013. A total of 42 camera trap locations were sampled over 10 sampling occasions (Karanth & Kumar 2014), accounting for cumulative sampling effort of 420 trap nights (Fig. 9.42). We adopted a block-sampling approach to set camera traps across 3 blocks. The total camera trap area for Goa is 478.47 km² (Table 9.72).

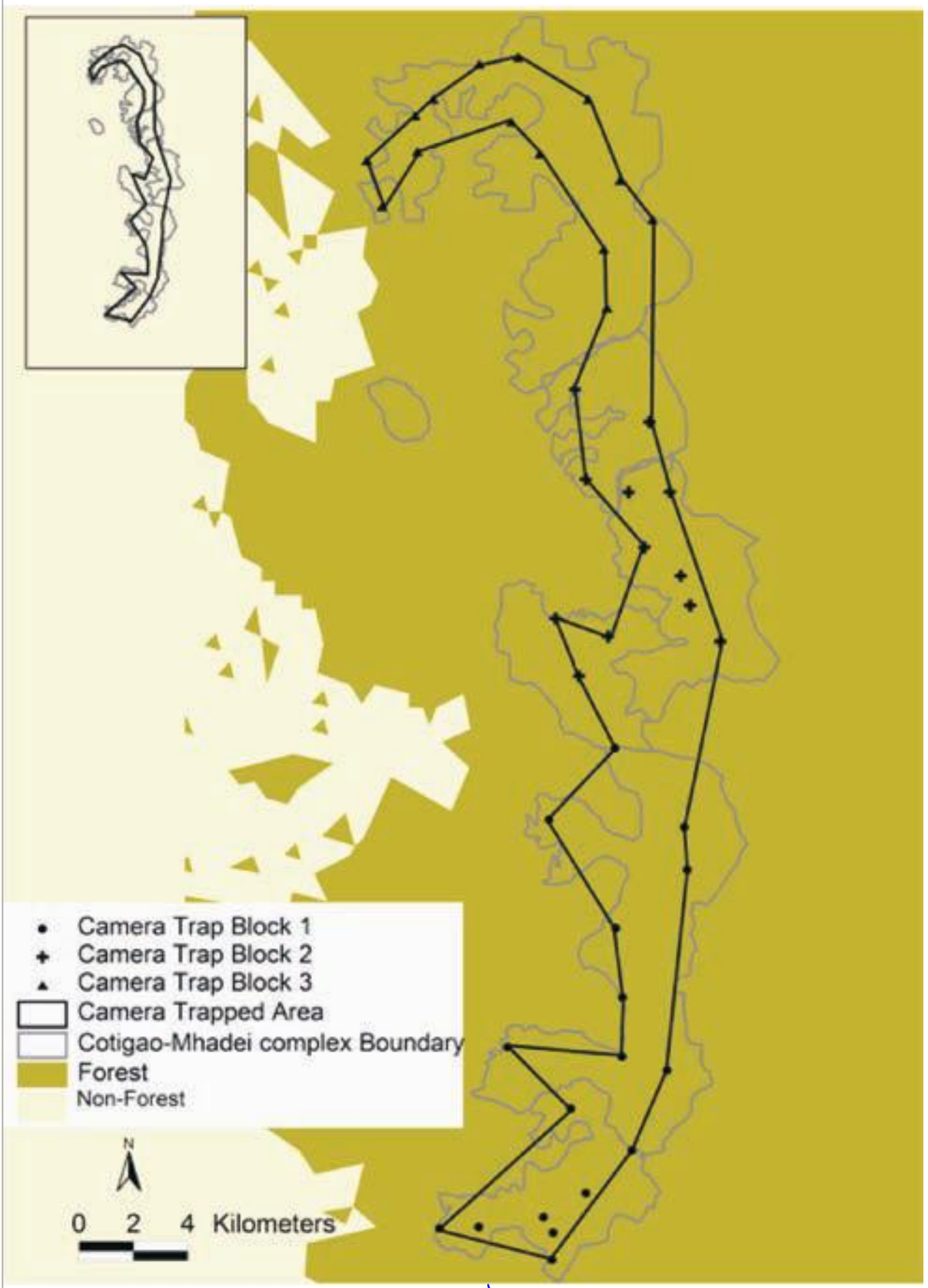
Analytical Details

Data from Goa could not be analyzed because only one individual tiger was photo-captured during camera trap surveys.

Table 9.72: Sampling details of camera trap efforts in Goa from7th May 2013 to 11th June 2013

Sampling details	Estimates	Standard Errors
Camera Trapped Area km²	478.47 km²	NA
Camera Points	42	NA
Trap Nights (effort)	420	NA
Unique tigers captured	1	NA
Initial Encounter Frequency ([redacted]	NA	NA
Scale parameter ([redacted]n meters)	NA	NA
No. of tigers / 100 km² ($\hat{D}$)for the Effective Sampled Area	NA	NA
Population Estimate ($\hat{N}$) for the Protected Area	NA	NA

Figure 9.42: Distribution of camera traps (n=42) in Cotigao-Mhadei forest complex of Goa, 2013.



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